

## Minerals Management Service, Interior

## § 250.1505

*Training* means a basic or an advanced class in well control for drilling, well completion/well workover, well servicing, and production safety systems.

*Training organization* means a party approved by MMS to teach well control for drilling, well completion/well workover, and well servicing, and production safety systems.

*Well-completion/well-workover (WO) well control* includes small tubing operations.

*Well-servicing (WS) well control* means snubbing and coil tubing.

*Well-workover rig* means a drilling rig used for well completion/well workover.

### § 250.1502 What is MMS's goal for well control and production safety systems training?

The goal is to ensure that employees who work in the following areas receive training that results in safe and clean operations:

- (a) Drilling well control;
- (b) WO well control;
- (c) WS well control; and
- (d) Production safety systems.

### § 250.1503 What type of training must I provide for my employees?

You must provide training for your employees according to the table in this section.

Type of employee	Training requirements	Comments
Drilling floorhand .....	Drilling well-control course. <sup>1</sup> Complete a well-control drill at the job site within the time limit prescribed by company operating procedures. <sup>2</sup> Participate in well-control drills under subpart D of this part. <sup>2</sup> Receive copy of a drilling well-control manual. <sup>2</sup>	You must log the time it took to complete each drill in the driller's log and furnish the time to the floorhand. You must record the date and time it took to complete each drill in the driller's log.
Drilling supervisor .....	Drilling well-control course. <sup>1</sup> Qualify to direct well-control operations. <sup>1</sup>	
WO floorhands .....	WO well-control course. <sup>1</sup> Complete the qualifying test consisting of a well-control drill at the job site within the time limit set by company procedures. <sup>2</sup> Participate in weekly well-control drills under subparts E and F of this part. <sup>2</sup> Receive a well-control manual. <sup>2</sup>	You must record the date and time it took to complete each drill in the operations log.
WO supervisors .....	WO well-control course. <sup>1</sup> Qualify to direct well-control operations. <sup>1</sup>	
WS work crews .....	At least one crew member is trained in WS well control. <sup>1</sup>  At least one crew member must be qualified to direct well-control operations. <sup>1</sup>	Trained employee must be in work area at all times during snubbing or coil tubing operations.
Production safety systems employees.	Must complete training that enables them to install, test, maintain, & operate subsurface safety devices. <sup>1</sup>	
Employees who work in well completion operations before or during tree installation.	Either WO well-control course or drilling well-control course. <sup>1</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> Employee may not work in the OCS unless this requirement is met.

<sup>2</sup> Employee must complete this requirement before exceeding 6 months of cumulative employment.

### § 250.1504 What documentation must I provide to trainees?

You must give your employees documents that show they have completed the training course(s) required for their job. The employees must carry the documents or keep them at the job site.

### § 250.1505 How often must I provide training to my employees and for how many hours?

(a) You must ensure that applicable employees complete basic or advanced well-control training at least every 2 years. For example, if your employees complete a well-control course on October 31, 1998, they must again complete the training by October 31, 2000.

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(b) You must ensure that applicable employees complete basic or advanced production safety systems training at least every 3 years. For example, if your employees complete production safety systems training on October 31, 1998, they must again complete the training by October 31, 2001.

(c) You must ensure that your employees have at least the amount of training listed in the table in § 250.1505(c). The maximum number of hours per day of well control or production safety instruction time is 9 hours.

TRAINING HOURS

Basic/advanced course	Surface option, minimum hours	Subsea option, minimum hours <sup>1</sup>	No options, minimum hours
Drilling (D) .....	28	32	.....
Well Completion/Workover (WO) .....	32	36	.....
Well Servicing (WS) .....	.....	.....	18
Combination D/WO .....	40	44	.....
Combination D/WS .....	44	48	.....
Combination WO/WS .....	48	52	.....
Combination D/WO/WS .....	55	59	.....
Production Safety Systems .....	.....	.....	30

<sup>1</sup> The subsea option includes the minimum hours from the surface option plus 4 hours.

(d) For the first training course after March 7, 1997, you must ensure that your employee follows the following transition schedule table for well control.

WELL CONTROL TRANSITION

If your employees	Then the employees must
A. Completed a basic course on or after March 7, 1996 or	A. Complete an appropriate basic course within 2 years to maintain certification, <sup>1</sup> or
B. Completed a basic course before March 7, 1996.	B. Complete an appropriate basic course by March 9, 1998. <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Example A: If the effective date of this regulation is November 1, 1996, and your employees completed a basic course in Drilling and Workover/Completion well control on December 9, 1995, your employees must complete a basic Drilling and Workover/Completion well-control course by December 9, 1997.

<sup>2</sup> Example B: If the effective date of this regulation is November 1, 1996, and your employees completed a basic course in Well Servicing [snubbing option] well control on November 15, 1994, your employees must complete a basic course in Well Servicing [snubbing option] by November 1, 1997.

(e) For the first training course after March 7, 1997, you must ensure that your employee follows the following transition schedule table for production.

PRODUCTION TRANSITION

If your employees	Then your employees must
A. Completed a basic course on or after September 7, 1995, or	A. Complete a basic course within 3 years to maintain certification, or
B. Completed a basic course before September 7, 1995.	B. Complete a basic course by September 7, 1998.

(f) After your employee completes the transition training specified in paragraph (d) or (e) of this section, the training cycle will be 2 years for well control and 3 years for production

training (as shown in § 250.1505 (a) and (b)).

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